Cooperative Housing Societies of Secunderabad, the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Southern Command, was directed to carry cut a review of the FSI with respect to all the Cantonments in Southern Command except Kirkee and Pune, The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief issued public notices inviting objections and suggestions from the public to the proposed FSI restrictions as under :—

(i) 1.5 for residential and institutional buildings in civil|bazar areas.

(ii) 2 for buildings part or whole of which are used for commercial purposes in these areas.

(iii) 0.75 in the remaining areas of the Cantonment.

After due consideration of the objections and suggestions received from the public, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Southern Command, has decided not to increase the FSI restrictions and maintain the *status quo*.

Foreign equity participation in the manufacture of T.V. sets

1249. SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA:
SHRI N. E. BALRAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to allow participation of foreign equity companies in the manufacture of T.V. sets in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, E LECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) The proposal of allowing participation of foreign equity companies for the manufacture of TV sets is under consideration of the Government.

Poverty alleviation Programmes

1250. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the major poverty alleviation programmes being financed by the Central Government during the Seventh Five Year Plan period and criterion used for deciding the inter-project priority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): The major poverty alleviation programmes being financed by the Central Government during the Seventh Five Year Plan period are the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) the National Rural Employment Programme (NREP), and the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP). Amongst these Programmes the cost of IRDP and NREP is shared equally by the centre and the States, whereas RLEGP is financed entirely by the Central Government.

While the IRDP aims at developing self-employment ventures by asset endowment, the NREP and the RLEGP provide supplemental wage employment. The IRDP and the employment programme (NREP and RLEGP) are not mutually exclusive. These activities supplement one another and together ensure a more stable flow of income to the poor.

Indian Initiatives to include SADR into NAM and UN

1251. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of EXTER-